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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Second Regiment Band—March 21.

Republican Primaries—March 24.

Republican County Convention—Mar. 29.

Annual Horse Show—March 31.

Willamette Musical Society Concert—April 4.

RULEAN COUNTY CONVENTION

For Marion county will be held at the opera house in Salem on Thursday, March 29th, 1888, at 11 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of electing 14 delegates to the state convention to be held in Portland the 11th day of April 1888, and to nominate five candidates for the legislature, county clerk, sheriff, recorder, treasurer, school superintendent, two commissioners, assessor, surveyor and coroner, and to transact any other business that may properly come before the convention. Primaries will be held on Saturday, March 24th.

APPORTIONMENT.

The several precincts are entitled to the following number of delegates:

Salem	15	Bowell Prairie	6
East Salem	23	Silverton	11
North Salem	8	Garfield	5
South Salem	9	Aubqua	5
Jefferson	7	Labilish	5
Marion	2	Gervais	5
Mehama	3	Woodburn	5
Horse	3	Woodburn	5
St. Paul	3	Aurora	5
Sullivan	3	Butterville	5
Lincoln	5	Champoeg	5
Turner	6	St. Paul	4
		Fairfield	6
Total	108		

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ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

This day is celebrated with veneration by every true Celt, no matter in what part of creation he may be found. It is to the "Exile of Erin," a second Christmas day, for it is the accredited anniversary of the nativity of him who brought to their "dear little Isle of the Ocean," a knowledge of that Redeemer who some 400 years before appeared as the "Light that shineth in the darkness." There is no politics in this day; it is simply a joyful commemoration of the rescue of a whole nation from barbarism to Christianity; of the planting of a faith which has withstood the buffetings of fifteen centuries and is still unshaken, there being no parallel in history of a people passing through the same amount of persecution, oppression and hardship experienced by the people of Ireland during that time and still steadfastly holding to their faith.

No matter, reader, how you may regard the right or wrong of their belief, we cannot look back at the history of that little "gem of the sea" without admiration for the constancy of its people.

St. Patrick was born in France about A.D. 387 and when a boy of 16 was seized by a band of pirates, carried to Ireland and sold to a chief of one of the tribes, with whom he remained for six years, and then making his escape, went to Rome and in time became a priest. The beauties and possibilities of Ireland had impressed themselves upon his mind, so he returned thither and commenced the work of converting its people. His wonderful success is a matter of history needing no elaboration. It is currently believed by a large portion of the Irish people that St. Patrick banished the snakes and other venomous reptiles from Ireland, the strongest argument in favor of which theory is the fact that nothing of the kind exists there (our morning contemporary to the contrary notwithstanding). The day was not formally celebrated in Salem, but in all the cities and towns where the Celtic element is numerous processions, speeches, banquets and balls mark the annual recurrence of the day.

It might be interesting to many American readers to know the foundation of the Irishman's reverence for the Shamrock.

"The triple leaf,

of land and air,

the Earth's native Shamrock."

The Shamrock is a species of white clover, and his biographers assert that when St. Patrick was preaching

to a leading Irish chief, the greatest difficulty he found was to make him understand the mystery of the trinity, how there could be three in one, so St. Patrick plucked from his feet a sprig of the shamrock and with its three united, similar leaves illustrated the trinity to the entire satisfaction of the chief, and so the "Triple leaf" is still the Irishman's emblem of faith.

MARION COUNTY PROHIBITION PLATFORM.

WHEREAS, The liquor traffic is proved to be a prolific source of pauperism, insanity and crime, an enemy of the church, a destroyer of home and a menace to our free institutions. We hold that the time has come when those who love their country should unite in a determined and aggressive warfare for its overthrow; believing that this is the greatest political issue of the day, and as an issue must be settled at the ballot box by the people; believing that there can be no greater peril to the nation than the existing competition of the republican and democratic parties for the liquor vote. Experience shows that any party not openly opposed to the traffic will engage in this competition, will court the favor of the criminal classes, will barter the public morals, the purity of the ballot, and every trust and object of good government for party success; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we are unalterably opposed to any condition or compromise with any man or party whereby the slightest concession is made to the liquor power, that we stand firmly by the principle of absolute state and national prohibition of the manufacture, sale of intoxicating liquors, for beverage purposes, and press its just claims upon all classes of people.

RESOLVED, That as the constitution of our common country confers on congress the exclusive right, duty and power to furnish the people with a circulating medium adequate to the growing demands of industry, trade and commerce, we demand that all money whether gold, silver or paper, shall be issued directly by the government, and that all such issues shall be made legal tender alike to all citizens whether rich or poor; that all unearned lands heretofore granted to railroad, military and wagon road companies by the national government be restored to the public domain and be reserved for actual settlers, not another acre for railroad or speculators, and that all lands now held for speculative purposes be taxed to their value.

RESOLVED, That all rates for transportation of news by telegraph, and freight and fares on railroads, be fixed by law in the interests of the whole people.

RESOLVED, That all importation of foreign labor under contract should be prohibited.

RESOLVED, That the stability of this government rests upon the intelligence, morality and virtue of the people, and that we are in favor of a system of free public schools.

CARDINAL REPUBLICAN PRINCIPLES.

1. A free vote and honest count, East, west, north and south—for the poor and weak, as well as the rich and strong.

2. Protection for American men against the saloon. An unceasing warfare upon it by the most effective methods.

3. Protection for American industry against the low wages and cheap capital of other countries—not for the benefit of a few, but for all.

4. Education for American children even if those who have the most must help most.

ANX: now the festive candidate attacks the button hole. He wants to fix the delegate and swears "upon his soul," that he's the very candidate to catch the peoples' votes, but that airily delegate is only making notes. He nods and winks, and nods again, but sayeth never a word, but thinks there are some other men, who may, perhaps, be heard. He thinks he'll bid his time, the wily delegate, and after all reports are in select his candidate.

Col. Irish thus defines "a boomer." When a baby grows to be a boy, and a boy to a man, it is not a boomer. It is development. But take him in the cradle and blow him up to manhood when he has not cut his teeth, and that is a boomer. But if he bars him. You have no man and you have spoiled your baby. He would have grown to be as you wanted him if you had kept the bellows out of him.

BORN.

BELL.—To the wife of W. T. Bell, on Friday, March 16, 1888, a boy.

FORTMILLER.—Born, in Albany, to the wife of Wm. Fortmiller, a daughter, on the 14th inst.

Mrs. Fortmiller is well known in this city as Mamie Thompson, daughter of Rev. E. J. Thompson D. D.

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SOUTH SALEM PRIMARY.

The republicans of South Salem Precinct will meet in primary convention at the school house in South Salem on Saturday, March 24, at one o'clock P.M.

By order of A. OHMART, Precinct Committeeman.

SALEM PRECINCT PRIMARY.

The republican primary for Salem precinct will be held at the Opera House, on March 24, at one o'clock P.M.

L. E. PRATT, Committeeman.

EAST SALEM PRIMARY.

The republican primaries in East Salem precinct will be held at the old Court House, on March 24th at one o'clock P.M.

DAVID SIMPSON, Committeeman.

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